

HB 336 -- First Responder Political Activity

Sponsor: Hinson

This bill specifies that no political subdivision of the state can prohibit any first responder from engaging in any political activity while off duty and not in uniform, from being a candidate for elected or appointed public office, or from holding the office, unless the political activity or candidacy is otherwise prohibited by state or federal law.

Currently, an employee or officer of the Kansas City Police Department is prohibited from belonging to a political party committee, being a ward committeeman or committeewoman, or making or soliciting contributions of any kind for political activity. The bill repeals these provisions.